

DND-Sohna link nears completion, eway to ease traffic flow in NCR

New Delhi: Designed to serve as a high-speed link from DND Flyway to Sohna and to the upcoming Noida International Airport in Jewar, a NH-148A corridor has entered its final phase. Officials said the project was expected to be completed in the next four months.

"It will provide a crucial alternative to overloaded national routes and ease traffic flow between Delhi, Faridabad and Noida, and also to several key inter-state destinations," an official said.

A senior Delhi govt official said the construction of the Ashram-bound ramp on the Delhi side of DND Flyway was nearly finished. The work continues on the opposite ramp connecting Sarai Kale Khan, along with the ongoing construction of an arch bridge over Agra Canal near Kalindi Kunj. The stretch from DND Flyway to Sohna is also close to completion.

While National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) is constructing the corridor, Delhi govt is assisting with modalities. During a recent meeting, attended by chief minister Rekha Gupta and Union highways minister Nitin Gadkari, NHAI confirmed the project's advanced stage.

NH-148A covers 91km, including 59km from DND Flyway to Sohna, passing through Faridabad, Ballabgarh and NH-19. Beginning at DND Flyway, the corridor moves through Kalindi Kunj, Faridabad, Ballabgarh and Sohna before turning towards Mohna. Another 32km stretch is being developed as a link to Jewar to handle the expected surge in traffic load once the airport starts functioning.

This multi-stage project, estimated to cost Rs 7,084 crore, is aimed at decongesting Delhi's key arterial roads, especially for commuters from north and east Delhi, while enhancing connectivity to the Noida airport, Faridabad and Ghaziabad, and to Jaipur, Mumbai and Kolkata through Delhi-Mumbai Expressway. Officials said the project would not only create a faster route for long-distance traffic heading towards western and eastern India but also sharply cut travel time between east, north and south Delhi and ease vehicular pressure on NH-2 and NH-48.

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